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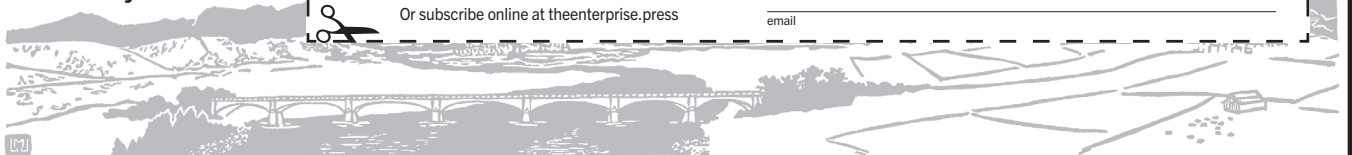
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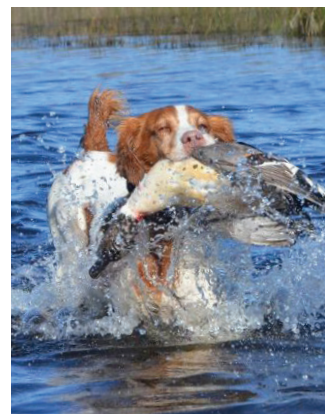
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CALIFORNIA OUTDOORS Q&A

Can My 17-Year-Old Nephew Participate In Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days?



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Youth Waterfowl Hunt

Q: Can my 17-year-old nephew participate in the upcoming Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days, Feb. 5-6?

A: Yes! Federal regulations allow licensed hunters 17 years old or younger to participate in these post-season youth waterfowl hunts offered in most, but not all, parts of the state. All hunters need a current Harvest Information Program (HIP) Validation as well. Hunters 16 years old and older will need a signed federal duck stamp (an electronic stamp option is available) with their hunting license, per federal regulations and California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 14, section 509(c).

Young hunters who are no longer eligible for a California Junior Hunting License will need a California Duck Validation. If your nephew is planning to hunt at one of the public Type A or B state-operated wildlife areas or federal wildlife refuges, he will need the appropriate Type A or B area pass. Junior Hunting License holders do not need the California Duck Validation and are exempt from having to purchase a wildlife area pass to hunt these public wetlands.

Lastly, even as a 17 year old hunting under a valid adult California hunting license, your nephew will need to be accompanied by a non-hunting adult 18 or older during these post-season youth waterfowl hunts. These hunts are intended to be mentoring opportunities for young hunters — which also gives you and your nephew a great opportunity to have a

memorable time together in the outdoors. We're sure he will appreciate the help and the company. Visit CDFW's waterfowl hunting webpage for more information.

Archery and Crossbow

Q: There used to be a regulation that defined the minimum strength of a hunting bow as a bow that could cast an arrow at a certain distance. That regulation changed, right? Is there a minimum draw weight for taking big game with a bow and/or a crossbow?

A: Yes, the regulation you referred to was updated by the California Fish and Game Commission. The current regulation states: It is unlawful to use any bow or crossbow without a draw weight of at least 30 pounds for a bow or 125 pounds for a crossbow.(CCR, Title 14, section 354(f)).

Gold Panning

Q: Is recreational gold panning allowed in creeks of the Spenceville Wildlife Area east of Marysville?

A: No. Recreational gold mining or panning is not allowed on any CDFW owned lands. CCR, Title 14, section 550(g) (3) states: Except for the take of fish and/or wildlife in compliance with general and site-specific hunting and fishing regulations, or under written authorization from the department to conduct environmental research or environmental education, no visitor shall cut, saw, trim, remove or disturb any plant, mammal,

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Interstate Agreement

Q: What is the Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact?

A: The Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact (IWVC) is an agreement between 47 states which allows for the reciprocal recognition of hunting and fishing license suspensions. If your license privileges have been suspended by another state, the suspension may be recognized here in California. For example, if your sport fishing or hunting privileges have been suspended in Colorado for five years, your privileges may also be suspended for five years in California or any of the states participating in the IWVC. The purchase of licenses or tags during the term of the suspension is a violation of the law and may result in prosecution. Licenses or tags purchased prior to or during a suspension are not refundable. Information on member states can be found on the National Association of Conservation Law Enforcement Chiefs website.

Over the years, CDFW has received occasional calls from hunters or fishers wondering why they were not allowed to purchase a hunting or fishing license at a California vendor. A common reason is that they have an unpaid citation in another state for something as simple as fishing without a license. That failure to take care of the fishing without a license citation would put them in the IWVC, which would prohibit them from purchasing a fishing license in California or any of the other participating 46 states until it is handled per the direction of the out-of-state court. ♦

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4 Ways Color Can Make Your House a Haven

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For many people, the home is a personal sanctuary, and through thoughtful color design, you can discover a renewed sense of balance and ease each time you walk through your front door. Incorporating colors inspired by simplicity and serenity can create spaces that transform the home into a soothing and comfortable space.

A restorative style starts with soft and natural colors; simplicity, approachability and comfort are also essential. Softened tones keep things easy and uncomplicated for spaces that feel balanced and meaningful.

To start creating a peaceful refuge within your home, consider these tips from the experts at HGTV Home by



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Sherwin-Williams to discover how to use color to paint a sense of calm for all who enter.

Peace on the Porch

Fuss-free styling on the front porch sets a tone for the ambiance inside. Make sure all who enter know this is a place of calm and comfort by using soft, subtle colors. A fresh coat of exterior paint — or a new shade on the front door — can help freshen and brighten the space while purposeful, understated furnishings and accessories lend themselves to a graceful welcome.

Balanced Bedroom

There's no space quite like the bedroom to command a peaceful presence. A curated palette like the HGTV Home by Sherwin-Williams 2022 Color Collection of the Year offers multiple options that exude peacefulness and facilitate tranquility. The Softened Refuge

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4 Ways Color

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Collection, available exclusively at Lowe's, is composed of 10 soft and simple tones that can be mixed and matched in any combination for a perfectly cohesive look.

One highlight is the 2022 Color of the Year, Aleutian, a washed indigo that is grounded by the warmth of its red undertones and bridges the gap between warm and cool tones. It pairs beautifully with wood tones so you can easily incorporate practical furnishings that lend to an aura of relaxation and comfort.

Laid-Back Living Room

Color that mimics the hues found naturally outdoors tend to soothe the soul. Introduce natural calm to a place your family enjoys congregating by updating walls to a sophisticated organic green that is rooted in nature. Carry the relaxed mood throughout the room with complementing nature-inspired neutrals for your furniture, window treatments and accent pieces.

Subtle Kitchen Spice

A stark white kitchen may feel crisp and clean, but it lacks the character that color brings. You can keep that airy feeling while infusing some gentle, welcoming warmth. Painted cabinets are on trend, so this is a perfect place to play with color. Use a light neutral taupe for the cabinets then balance with a warm, creamy white on the walls. If you're worried the space may be dull, infuse a bit of color with a neutral blue on the backsplash. The soft hues work harmoniously for a simple but stylish space.

"The Softened Refuge palette is designed to simplify color selection for a perfectly coordinated home design," said Ashley Banbury, HGTV Home by Sherwin-Williams senior color designer. "Color combinations within the Collection can easily be used to craft spaces that help promote positive physical and mental well-being."

Find more ideas for creating a sanctuary at home at hgtvhomebysherwinwilliams.com. ♦



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HOME & GARDEN



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Practical Steps to Plan a Remodel

(FAMILY FEATURES) If you're planning a home remodeling project but don't know where to start, you're not alone. Starting any remodel or renovation can be nerve-racking, but having the right steps in place, from picking the project to smart financing strategies, can lessen the stress.

Before beginning any project, homeowners should consider what projects they want to prioritize, what they can afford and smart financial solutions to

pay for it all. This can help you complete the project on time, on budget and with less stress.

Do Your Research

Part of being prepared for a renovation project is doing your research. That means considering design and material options that reflect your personal tastes and what might add the greatest value to your lifestyle and home. It's also important to plan ahead for factors like long

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Establish a Budget

Before you begin planning a project, determine what you can afford. If your list of upgrades is larger than your budget allows, consider a short-term budget and a long-term one so you can tackle some smaller projects more immediately and save the bigger renovations until you've had a chance to save or secure additional financing.

Set a Financial Strategy

Setting a budget and determining your financial strategy aren't quite the same thing. Once you have a budget set, you'll need to decide how to pay for the work. According to a survey by online lender LightStream, savings accounts provide at least some capital for about 66% of homeowners who plan to renovate. However, in today's uncertain economy, depleting a savings account may make you nervous, especially if you're tapping into an emergency fund.

Credit cards are a financial strategy about 30 percent of homeowners will use. However, unless card charges are paid off quickly, you may end up carrying that debt for years, making your project much more expensive due to high interest rates over a long repayment timeline.

An unsecured consumer loan, like those provided by LightStream, may be another financing option and can often save thousands in interest charges compared to credit cards. Homeowners with good credit can borrow up to \$100,000 at fixed rates with no fees. Funds can be deposited directly into customers' bank accounts as soon as the day they apply and can be used to pay for any renovation service, finishes or products.

Prioritize Projects

With your budget in mind, you can turn your attention to which renovations to prioritize. When possible, begin with your home's most immediate needs,

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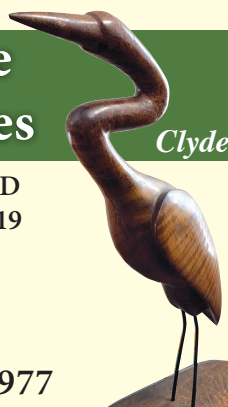
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even if they may not be the most exciting projects. Go for lasting impacts rather than cosmetic fixes. Repairing a leaky roof or crumbling foundation may not be as dreamy as creating a chef's kitchen, but it's important to make sure the projects you elect to do sooner set you up for success — and improved home values — later.

Beyond critical repairs, the survey found the most popular projects homeowners planned this year include kitchen (38 percent) and bathroom remodels (32 percent). Building home offices also jumped in popularity as the pandemic drove a focus on upgrading remote workspace, doubling to more than 26 percent of planned projects.

Consider the Environment

For many homeowners, Mother Nature plays a role as to which renovations are prioritized.



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About 35 percent of survey respondents said they plan to invest in projects that improve their outdoor living spaces. When it comes to indoor improvements, consumers are interested in incorporating eco-friendly and sustainable products such as smart systems, energy-efficient lighting, solar panels, air and water filtration systems, insulated windows and other money-saving, eco-sensitive products.

Many people are also choosing to work with companies that are committed to environmental responsibility. For example, through a partnership with American Forests, LightStream plants a tree every time it funds a loan, totaling more than 1 million trees planted across the United States.

Find more advice to get your home improvement project underway at Lightstream.com/remodel.



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Grow a Few Vegetables Indoors this Winter

by Melinda Myers

LIMITED OUTDOOR GROWING space or cold winters may have you missing fresh homegrown vegetables. Make this the winter you try growing a few vegetables in a sunny window or under artificial lights.

Greens are one of the easiest to grow indoors. Most leafy vegetables tolerate the lower light indoors, require minimal space and prefer cool temperatures.

Select a container with drainage holes that will fit near a sunny window or under an artificial light set up. Keep the artificial lights about six inches above the top of these and other plants. Fill the container with a well-drained potting mix and sprinkle seeds of your favorite leafy greens over the soil surface. Lightly cover the seeds and moisten the soil.

Remove overcrowded plants, called

thinning, to provide sufficient space for the remaining plants to reach full size. Begin harvesting the outer leaves when four to six inches tall.

Extend the time between watering and increase success when growing these and other vegetables by amending the soil with a moisture-retaining product, like Wild Valley Farms' wool pellets (wildvalleyfarms.com). This organic and sustainable product holds 20 percent of its weight in water and slowly releases moisture into the soil when needed.

Add some crunch to your salads with quick maturing salad radishes. Plant seeds $\frac{1}{4}$ " deep and thin to one to two inches apart. Use scissors to thin the plantings at ground level and use the greens to add a bit of zip to salads and sandwiches.

Expand your indoor edible garden

by growing dwarf sugar snap peas. These and other vegetables that you eat the fruit or flowers need more light. Supplementing natural sunlight with artificial lights will help increase success.

Select shorter varieties that will be easier to train. Patio Pride grows only nine to 16" tall while Sugar Ann and Little Marvel grow up to 18" tall.

Plant two seeds in each three-inch pot or several seeds two inches apart in a long rectangular container. Once the seedlings reach two inches tall, thin the plantings. Leave one plant in each individual pot and seedlings spaced four inches apart in larger containers. Cut the extra sprouts at ground level and use them in salads, sandwiches and stir fries.

Peas are self-fertile, so no bees are needed. Harvest pods when they reach

the size you prefer.

Don't forget the tomatoes. These take longer and are a bit more challenging but that is the joy of gardening. Start your plants from seeds if transplants are not available.

Consider growing one of the many small-scale tomato varieties that require less space and increase your chance of success. All-America Selections winners Patio Choice Yellow, Lizzano, Torenzo as well as Tiny Tim and Micro tomatoes are some varieties you may want to try.

Grow small plants in one- to two-gallon pots and larger varieties in three- to five-gallon size containers. Water thoroughly when the top few inches of soil begin to dry. Once flowers form, lightly shake the stem to aid in pollination.

Growing vegetables indoors is a fun way to enjoy edible gardening year-round. With every planting you'll increase your overall gardening experience and success. ♦

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine and was commissioned by Wild Valley Farms for her expertise to write this article. Myers' website is www.MelindaMyers.com.

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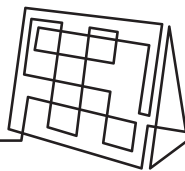
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On the Same Page Book Club.

Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m. Virtual World, Internet, Online. Online book club that meets on the first Wednesday of the month on Zoom. Sign up using the Google form at www.forms.gle/bAsjdQ7hK-GqEgJKj7.

Reading in Place - An Online Reading Group.

Saturdays, 1 p.m. Virtual World, Internet, Online. Sign up online for a Zoom meeting invite and the week's reading for discussion. www.forms.gle/zKymPvcDFDG7BJEP9.

Shelter n Play. Fridays, 6 p.m. Virtual World, Internet, Online. Public group on Facebook made up of local musicians and music fans. Live streams, videos, events and local music links. www.facebook.com/groups/224856781967115.

The Writers Lounge via Zoom.

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Humboldt Jewish Music and Culture Festival.

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MARZ Project. Tuesdays-Fridays, 12-5 p.m. Virtual World, Internet, Online. Humboldt and Del Norte county youth ages 12 to 26 learn to express themselves creatively in visual art, audio and video production. All MARZ students have free access to equipment, software and training. Meets via Zoom by appointment. Free. marzproject@inkpeople.org. (707) 442-8413.

Naturalist Notes Webinar Series.

Tuesdays, 6-7 p.m. Virtual World, Internet, Online. Friends of the Dunes and local experts delve into stories of coastal ecology and conservation. Full descriptions of webinar topics and registration online. \$10 per webinar, \$40 whole series. www.friendsofthedunes.org/naturalist-notes.

Sistahood. Saturdays, 9:30-11 a.m. Virtual World, Internet, Online. For women teenagers and older on Zoom, to build healthy relationships and strengthen ties through validation and affirmation. Music from 9:30 a.m., open conversation from 9:45 a.m., meditation with the Sista Prayer Warriors from 10:45 a.m.

Twenty Years of Cats vs. Wildlife: A Wildlife Rehabilitator's Perspective. Fri., Feb. 11, 7-8 p.m. Monte Merrick, director of Humboldt Wildlife Care Center/Bird Ally X, discusses the toll free-roaming, domestic cats take on native wildlife. Learn

to protect birds, reptiles and small mammals while letting cats enjoy the outdoors. Free. www.rras.org/home.aspx.

Ujima Parent Peer Support. Thursdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Virtual World, Internet, Online. For BIPOC families. See the HC Black Music and Arts Association Facebook page for more information. hcblackmusicarts@gmail.com.

Volunteer Orientation Food for People.

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Curry County

ARTS & CULTURE

Intro to Digital Sketching. Sat., Feb. 12, 10 a.m.-noon. Curry County Public Library, 94341 Third St., Gold Beach. Learn to use Sketchbook, a free digital sketching software from Autodesk. Bring your stylus-friendly device or your laptop with a USB digital sketch tablet. Space is limited. Register at www.facebook.com/events/1016981508895326.

Watercolor Meetup Group. Thursdays, 3-6 p.m. Curry County Public Library, 94341 Third St., Gold Beach. Interested in watercolor? Bring your projects and work on them with other painters. Drop in the upstairs conference room. Beginners welcome. While this is not a class, there are experienced painters in the group who can help get you started.

LIFESTYLE & COMMUNITY

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Del Norte County

ARTS & CULTURE

Okaidja Afroso (world music, dance, storytelling). Fri., Feb. 11, 7-9:30 p.m. Tolowa Event Center, 350 N Indian Road, Smith River. The singer, guitarist, percussionist, storyteller and dancer brings soul-filled music that charts a journey from the traditional songs of his youth in Ghana to the influences of international collaborators. Current COVID health and safety precautions in place (mask wearing, limited capacity seating, temperature checks at entry, entrance/exit flow guidelines, etc.). \$20, \$18, \$15. office@dnaca.net. www.dnaca.eventbrite.com.

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Trinity County

LIFESTYLE & COMMUNITY

Valentine's Day Bake Sale. Sat., Feb. 12, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Historic Downtown Weaverville, Weaverville. Support your local animal shelter. Bake sale set up in front of CVS. Benefits Trinity Animal Shelter Auxiliary - TASA.

Humboldt County

ARTS & CULTURE

Arts! Arcata. Second Saturday of every month, 4-7 p.m. Arcata Plaza, Ninth and G streets. Art, music and more art in downtown Arcata, surrounding area and online. Due to COVID-19, there is no gathering. Keep safe distances, wear facial coverings and observe guidelines in each location. Free. arcatamainstreet@gmail.com. www.arcatamainstreet.com. (707) 822-4500.

Cal Poly Humboldt Faculty Welcome Concert. Sat., Feb. 12, 5-7 p.m. Fulkerson Recital Hall, California Polytechnic University Humboldt, Arcata. Music faculty, emeritus faculty, graduates and community musicians present a concert of chamber music, featuring selections for strings, woodwinds, brass, voice and piano. Attendees over 12 must show proof of fully boosted vaccination, or a negative COVID-19 test. \$15, \$5 child and students with ID, \$7 Livestream. mus@humboldt.edu. www.music.humboldt.edu/. (707) 826-3566.

Cal Poly Humboldt Honors Recital. Sun., Feb. 13, 2-4 p.m. Fulkerson Recital Hall, California Polytechnic University Humboldt, Arcata. Solo performances by nine student musicians selected for this special recognition by the music faculty. Pianist John Chernoff accompanies many of the soloists. Attendees over 12 must show proof of fully boosted vaccination, or a negative COVID-19 test. \$10, \$5 child, free for Cal Poly Humboldt students w/ ID. mus@humboldt.edu. www.music.humboldt.edu/. (707) 826-3566.

Dances of Brazil. Thursdays, 5:30 p.m. Redwood Raks World Dance Studio, 824 L St., Arcata. Learn Brazilian dances with instructors Rocío Cristal and María Vanderhorst. All levels. Limited to five people. Register online. \$15. [talavera.rocio@gmail.com](mailto:rocio@gmail.com).

Daniela Mineva. Fri., Feb. 11, 7:30 p.m. Fortuna Monday Club, 610 Main St. Cal

Poly Humboldt professor Mineva performs a program featuring the restored 1927 Steinway concert grand piano. Proof of COVID-19 vaccinations or current negative test result (PCR or antigen accepted), same day COVID test taken within 24 hours required to attend future concerts. Audience members must wear appropriate masks during the entire performance. \$10. fortunaconcertseries.com.

Dayna Stevens Quartet. Wed., Feb. 16, 8 p.m. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. The Redwood Jazz Alliance presents an evening jazz performance. Advance tickets required for in-person admission, as well as secure-fitting masks and proof of up-to-date COVID-19 vaccination at the door. \$20, \$15 students/seniors, \$10 live stream. kathryn@arcataplayhouse.org. www.redwoodjazzalliance.org/events/dayna-stevens-quartet. (414) 517-7824 or (707) 822-1575.

Lil Mojo Returns. Feb. 10-12, 8 p.m. Dell'Arte's Carlo Theatre, 131 H St., Blue Lake. A zany farcical story of an uprising created by the students of the DAI 2021-22 Professional Training Program. Must show proof of vaccination and a negative COVID test performed within 72 hours of attendance upon entry. Masks required. \$20, \$15 senior/student. www.dellarte.com.

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adaptation of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (don't expect any Shakespearean verse) with all of the lovers over the age of 60, set in a nursing home during a pandemic with a live band and songs. Masks and proof of COVID-19 vaccination required. \$20, \$15 senior/student. info@dellarte.com. www.dellarte.com/product/mad-summer-weekone-2022/. (707) 668-5663.

Noises Off. Fridays, Saturdays, 8 p.m. and Sundays, 2 p.m. Ferndale Repertory Theatre, 447 Main St. An ambitious director and his troupe of mediocre actors blunder from a bad dress rehearsal to a spectacularly disastrous performance. Proof of vaccination and masks required. www.ferndalerep.org.

The Gatehouse Well. Sat., Feb. 12, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Fortuna Monday Club, 610 Main St. The Fortuna Concert Series presents the Celtic-infused progressive folk band. All audience members must show proof of COVID-19 vaccinations at the door and wear appropriate masks during the entire performance. Doors open at 6:45. \$10. fortunaconcert@live.com. www.fortunaconcertseries.com.

LIFESTYLE & COMMUNITY

Arcata Marsh Birding Tour w/Elizabeth Meisman. Sat., Feb. 19, 8:30-11 a.m. Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary, South I Street. Join leader Meisman at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake). Bring binoculars. COVID-19 participation guidelines online. RSVP by text or email with the walk date and name, email and phone number for each participant. Free. thebook@reninet.com. www.rras.org/home.aspx. (707) 499-1247.

Arcata Marsh Birding Tour w/Rob Fowler. Sat., Feb. 12, 8:30-11 a.m. Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary, South I Street. Join leader Fowler at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake). Bring binoculars. COVID-19 participation guidelines online. RSVP by text or email with the walk date and name, email and phone number for each participant. Free. thebook@reninet.com. www.rras.org/home.aspx. (707) 499-1247.

Arcata Plaza Farmers Market. Saturdays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Arcata Plaza, Ninth and G streets. Humboldt County grown and

GMO-free produce along with plants, meats and more. Educational materials including a seasonal eating guide, recipes and merchandise available. Always open rain or shine. Free. info@northcoastgrowersassociation.org. www.northcoastgrowersassociation.org. (707) 441-9999.

Audubon Guided Birding Tour. Sun., Feb. 13, 9-11 a.m. Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge, 1020 Ranch Road, Loleta. Bring your binoculars and join leader Ralph Bucher for a birding tour along the Shorebird Loop Trail where songbirds, raptors, waders and water birds have been spending the winter. COVID-19 participation guidelines online. RSVP by text with the walk date and name, email and phone number for each participant. Free. thebook@reninet.com. www.rras.org/home.aspx. (707) 499-1247.

Dune Restoration Work Days. Second Saturday of every month, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, 220 Stamps Lane, Manila. Help restore the dune ecosystem of the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center by removing invasive plants. Training in plant identification and removal provided. COVID-19 safety practices in place. Wear masks while gathered and practice social distancing. Free. dante@friendsofthedunes.org. www.friendsofthedunes.org/dert-days. (707) 444-1397.

Eureka Waterfront Birding Tour. Sun., Feb. 20, 9-11 a.m. Eureka Waterfront, Foot of Del Norte Street. This relatively urban trail offers a diversity of species on a flat, paved trail that is wheelchair accessible. COVID-19 participation guidelines online. RSVP by text with the walk date and name, email and phone number for each participant. Free. thebook@reninet.com. www.rras.org/home.aspx. (707) 499-1247.

FOAM Marsh Tour w/Ken Burton. Sat., Feb. 19, 2 p.m. Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary, South I Street. Meet leader Burton in the lobby of the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute, rain-or-shine walk focusing on birds, plants and/or marsh ecology. Masks are required inside the building. Free. 826-2359.

FOAM Marsh Tour w/Sharon Levy. Sat., Feb. 12, 2 p.m. Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary, South I Street. Meet leader

Levy in the lobby of the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute, rain-or-shine walk focusing on birds, wastewater treatment, and/or Marsh history. Masks are required inside the building. Free. (707) 826-2359.

Guided Walk at Founders Grove with Nature Guide Griff. Saturdays, 11 a.m.-noon. Humboldt Redwoods State Park, 17119 Avenue of Giants, Weott. The Founders Grove loop trail is less than a half-mile long and is ADA accessible. There will be frequent stops to discuss the awesomeness that is the redwoods, the history of the land and the wildlife who call it home. Free. John.griffith@parks.ca.gov. www.humboldtredwoods.org.

Mad River Steelhead Derby. Mondays. Countywide, Locations throughout Humboldt County, Humboldt. The Nor-Cal Guides & Sportsmen Association's annual competition. Cash and prizes awarded to the biggest hatchery steelhead caught through Feb. 28. Register online. \$40, \$25 youth 16 and under. www.madriversteelheaderby.com.

Pork & Cork. Sat., Feb. 12, 4-7 p.m. Fortuna Volunteer Fire Department, 320 South Fortuna Blvd. Pandemic-safe drive through dinner for two includes three pulled pork sandwiches, coleslaw, baked beans and dessert. Wine and other beverages available for purchase. Benefits Fortuna Sunrise Rotary. Get tickets at www.fortunasunriserotary.org/event/pork-n-cork. \$50 dinner for two.

Reel Genius Trivia at HumBrews. Every other Thursday, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Humboldt Brews, 856 10th St., Arcata. General trivia for everyone. Win prizes. Max seven players per team. Free. partners@reelgeniustrivia.com. www.humboldtbrews.com. (707) 601-1606.

Trivia Night. Every other Wednesday, 6-8 p.m. The Madrone Taphouse, 421 Third St., Eureka. Reel Genius Trivia hosts. Free. www.reelgeniustrivia.com.

Mendocino County

ARTS & CULTURE

Master Potter, Gregg Lindsley. Willits Center For the Arts, 71 E Commercial St. The Willits Center for the Arts presents Master Potter, Gregg Lindsley who

will show his 35 years off skill in forms ranging from elegantly shaped pots to functional mugs of different sizes. He has taught at Mendocino College in the past and now has 20 private students he works with.

LIFESTYLE & COMMUNITY

Fort Bragg Farmers Market. Wednesdays, 2-4:30 p.m. Fort Bragg Farmers Market, N Franklin St. & E Laurel St. Seasonal fruits, vegetables, organic and free range beef and pork and eggs, wild-caught local fish and seafood, artisan goat cheese, sweets, breads, flowers and plants. Plus, hot food, live music.

Fruit Tree Pruning. Sat., Feb. 12, 10 a.m.-noon. Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens, 18220 North Highway 1, Fort Bragg. Learn how the time of year and type of pruning cut can greatly influence the success of your fruit trees. With instructor Di Scott. Masks required. Get tickets at www.buy.acmeticketing.com/orders/505/tickets. \$35, includes garden admission for the day. www.gardenbythesea.org.

Historic Walking Tours of Mendocino.

Saturdays, Sundays. Guest House Museum, 343 N Main St., Fort Bragg. Join local history experts on a two-hour walk through Mendocino's famous Historic District. Book via email. Face coverings required. Well-behaved dogs allowed but must remain outside at some stops. \$50 for up to four people, \$75 for party of six. tours@KelleyHouseMuseum.org.

Ukiah Farmers Market. Saturdays, 9 a.m.-noon. Alex Thomas Plaza, School and Clay streets, Ukiah.

Lake County

LIFESTYLE & COMMUNITY

Lakeport Farmers Market. Saturdays, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Lake County Fairgrounds, 401 Martin St., Lakeport. Rain or shine.

Lakeport Rotary '50s Drive-Thru Crab Feed. Sat., Feb. 19, 4:30-6 p.m. Lake County Fairgrounds, 401 Martin St., Lakeport. Two lbs. of crab and 1 lb of shrimp per person with all the sides. Get tickets at www.registrations.dacdb.com/Register/index.cfm. \$65 per person.



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ACROSS

1. Leaders of the pack
7. "Beau ___"
12. Sit in a wine cellar
15. It includes parts of Sudan but not South Sudan
16. Openly declares
17. Guat. neighbor
18. Prepared to be shot?
19. C.K. on TV
20. The "him" in "Kill him!" in "Casey at the Bat"
21. Robin nominated for an Emmy for his role in 36-Across
23. Historic realm that becomes a modern nation when its first letter is removed
25. Diplomat's victory
26. Speed: Abbr.
27. Pup ___
28. Hearing aid
29. Whole bunch
31. Masters of film
32. German: Abbr.
34. School recalled in Orwell's "Such, Such Were the Joys"
35. Auburn, e.g.
36. TV sitcom starring 21-Across or 58-Across (!)
40. Each of the Oinker Sisters on "Sesame Street"
41. Accelerate, with "up"
42. Starch-yielding palm
45. 1300
48. Rash soother
49. It may have clawed feet

DOWN

1. How a rose by any other name would smell, per Juliet
2. Thin layers
3. Indentation between the upper lip and the nose
4. Berry with an Oscar
5. "The results ___"
6. 1981 assassination victim
7. Ladies
8. Bolivian president Morales
9. Juiced (up)
10. Show off a new skirt, say
11. "Mi casa ___ casa"
12. Made a person write "LOL!"
13. Zodiac sign
14. Gertrude Stein and Alice B. Toklas, notably

50. Ask around
51. Barrett of Pink Floyd
52. Unloquacious
56. Barred
58. Melissa who won an Emmy for her role in 36-Across
59. Major minor league
60. Permeate
62. Hasbro game with plastic antennae
63. Univ. figures
64. Part of LED
65. More plentiful
66. My Chemical Romance genre
67. Transatlantic flight sight
68. Scrooges

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LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS TO MONEY

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HOME COUNTRY

By Slim Randles



"WINDY ... leave it to you to come up with something none of us ever really thought about before."

"Well, Del," Windy said to our one-man chamber of commerce, Delbert McLain, I figger you got more-a your finger on the pulsations of America than anybody else whoever lives 'round here."

Delbert's promotional agility is amazing to behold. Why, just the International Knife Sharpening Olympics by itself was enough to make a guy legendary, and it didn't even happen because they couldn't find enough dull knives to get it started.

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"I'm thinking what you need, Windy, is a campaign. You know ... let everyone know about you wanting an honorary degree and just keep at it until it ... happens."

"Campaign?"

"Sure. How many local folks realize just how important that degree is to you?"

"Jest a couple's all."

"Hey, guy," Delbert said, "let's get out there and beat the drum on this. Okay? I'm behind your campaign all the way. Well, no, I can't actually neglect my duties as the chamber of commerce to actively ... campaign for you. But you figure something out and stick with it, and my money's on you getting that degree. And if anyone asks for a reference, you just tell them to ask me."

"Thanks so much, Delbert, you're the best. So what should I do now?"

"Beats me," he said, "but I know you'll come up with something." ♦

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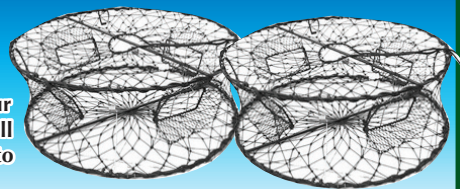
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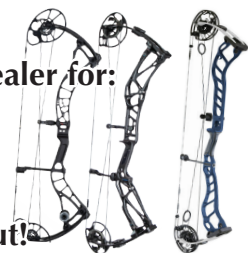
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